

Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) Articulated junction device between a suspended structure and a load bearing structure, in which the device comprises:

a hinge pin having a hinge pin axis;

at least one first part adapted to be installed in the suspended structure and rotatable about a first axis; and

a second part adapted to be installed in the load bearing structure and rotatable about a second axis, the hinge pin passing through the first part and the second part, the first axis and the second axis being parallel and offset from each other and the hinge pin axis, wherein the first and second parts ~~[[has]]~~ have one rotatable degree of freedom ~~therebetween~~ that is fixed along the hinge pin axis.

2. (Previously Presented) Articulated junction device according to claim 1, in which rotation prevention means are provided between the hinge pin and each of the first and second parts, so as to prevent any relative rotation therebetween.

3. (Previously Presented) Articulated junction device according to claim 1, in which the suspended structure further comprises two plates parallel to each other between which the load bearing structure is placed.

4. (Previously Presented) Articulated junction device according to claim 3, in which each of the two first parts in the plates of the suspended structure cooperate with the two plates in the suspended structure through spherical surfaces together defining a ball joint connection therebetween.

5. (Previously Presented) Articulated junction device according to claim 4, further comprising intermediate parts forming ball joint cages fixed in each of the two plates of the suspended structure and cooperate through internal spherical surfaces with external spherical surfaces of the first parts.

6. (Currently Amended) An assembly to allow coupled movement between two structures, the assembly comprising:

a first structure having a first circular member rotatable about a first axis, the first circular member having a first aperture configured to receive a coupling member, the coupling member oriented along a third axis adjacent to the first axis; and

a second structure coupled to the first structure, the second structure rotatable about a second axis adjacent to the first axis and the third axis, the second structure having a second circular member configured to receive the coupling member in a second aperture of the second circular member, wherein the first and second circular members are unable to rotate with respect to one another about the third axis.

7. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the first structure is capable of rotating about at least one of the first axis and second axis.

8. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the second structure is capable of rotating about at least one of the first axis and second axis.

9. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the first circular member and the second circular member are not independently moveable.

10. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the coupling member is a circular hinge pin.

11. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 10 wherein the first and second apertures are circular apertures to receive the circular hinge pin.

12. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 10 wherein the circular hinge pin further comprises at least one protrusion extending from an outer surface to prevent rotation with the first and second circular members.

13. (Currently Amended) The assembly according to claim 10 wherein the ~~circular~~ aperture of at least one of the first and second circular members includes a protrusion extending from an inner surface to prevent rotation therebetween.

14. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the first structure further comprises two plates parallel to each other to define a space therebetween, wherein the second structure is positioned between the two plates when coupled to the first structure.

15. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 6 wherein the first and second circular members include a spherical outer surface to define a ball joint connection with corresponding interface surfaces of the first and second structures.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (New) Articulated junction device according to claim 1, wherein the second axis is offset vertically upwards from the first axis.

18. (New) The assembly according to claim 6, wherein the second axis is offset vertically upwards from the first axis.

19. (New) An assembly comprising:

a load bearing structure having a first circular member rotatable about a first axis, the first circular member having a first aperture configured to receive a coupling member, the coupling member oriented along a third axis adjacent to the first axis; and

a suspended structure which moves with respect to the load bearing structure about a second axis adjacent to the first axis and the third axis when coupled to the load bearing structure, the suspended structure having a second circular member configured to receive the coupling member in a second aperture of the second circular member, wherein the first and second circular members are unable to rotate with respect to one another about the third axis and the second axis is offset vertically upwards from the first axis.